





THE BRITISH COLONIST.  
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TO ADVERTISERS.  
Transient Advertisements must be paid for in advance to insure insertion.

TO AGENTS.  
Settlements of accounts will be required monthly, or the supply of papers will be discontinued. The daily rate of insertion will be furnished at the lowest cash rates and no exception will be made to this rule.

THE BRITISH COLONIST IS THE ONLY PAPER PUBLISHED IN THE COLONY THAT RECEIVES TELEGRAPHIC DESPATCHES.

More Official Blunders.  
Vancouver Island is at present without a Judge or a Court of Justice, His Honor Chief Justice Needham, having in pursuance of an official notification from the Governor that his office was abolished, adjourned the Court for a week, and suspended his functions both in Chambers and on the Bench. It is needless to advert to the serious inconvenience and loss that a business community must incur by such a procedure. The effect was visible yesterday in the consternation of the legal fraternity, who had writs, warrants, and other process to issue, or important cases pending at nisi prius. Had such a course been the inevitable result of the proclamation of Union, there would have been an end of all evil, and no alternative would be left but to grin and bear it; but unfortunately it is too palpably apparent that we are the victims of more official blunders. The mandate of the Head of the Government could not be disregarded or disobeyed by the Chief Justice; but the interference of the Governor with our Island Tribunal or its Judge, is both ill-timed and illegal. It may be argued in favor of Governor Seymour's act that Judge Needham presided over the Supreme Court of Vancouver Island, which Colony had ceased to exist and had become part and parcel of a separate Colony possessing its own Supreme Court. But His Excellency and his advisers must have known full well that the Supreme Court of Vancouver Island was constituted under an order in Council, which he had not the individual power to repeal or rescind, and further, that the present Chief Justice holds a life appointment from the Crown, with the Queen's sign manual, such appointment being made under and by virtue of an Act of the Colonial Legislature guaranteeing to the nominee of the Crown a salary of twelve hundred pounds per annum. By what right then can the Governor, without an Act of the United Colonial Legislature run counter to the existing laws of this Island, which the Union proclamation onacts shall continue in full force and effect until otherwise legally provided, and seek to meddle with either our Supreme Court or its presiding officer when both are beyond the pale of his authority? Judge Neenham will, of course, resign before consenting to be the subordinate of Judge Begbie, of British Columbia, and if the latter is elevated to the Chief Justiceship of the United Colonies, with the other pretexts that it is rumored will follow, His Excellency will raise a storm of indignation throughout the length and breadth of the two Colonies. We have succeeded in obtaining a sound, able and popular man to administer our laws, the revenue of the Colony is pledged to pay for that privilege, and the people will not be content to accept an inferior article for their money. A petition to His Excellency is talked of, and Governor Seymour will then have an opportunity of showing his desire to yield to the popular will. But this is not the only specimen of official blundering that the light digested Union scheme brings to light. Yesterday we had the ridiculous anomaly of New Westminster stepping into Victoria's shoes, and enforcing a purely local tax, which Victoria herself has no earthly right to demand. In other words, the New Westminster Customs officer makes the Puget Sound steamers pay head money on passengers landed at Victoria, because Vancouver Island and British Columbia have entered into a quasi-alliance, and such a tax could have been levied in the latter Colony! What profound reasoning! But such trifling is too serious and must be put an end to. When the Union Act expressly declares that no other law in force in British Columbia, save the Customs Act, shall apply to this Colony, and no mention of head tolls is made in that Act, it is the shrewdest sophistry to say that because Victoria is now a part of British Columbia, a stupid, obnoxious tax levied under a local act at New Westminster may be collected here. In Heaven's name let us rather find means to attract people to these shores instead of devising measures so effectually calculated to drive them away, as those to which we have called attention in our journal.

The Tariff.  
We republish, for the benefit of our readers, the British Columbian Tariff now levied at this port. In addition to this Tariff, the charges levied by virtue of Vancouver Island Statutes,

are also in force, and consignees must pay both rates. For instance: by the British Columbian Tariff cattle are charged one dollar per head, while under our Act the rate is four dollars per head. The charge thus reaches five dollars. On vegetables, the landing permit formerly charged here is added to the 12 1/2 per cent. demanded by the British Columbian Tariff; and on general merchandise the Vancouver rate of one-half of one per cent. on the value of invoices landed is collected, in addition to the per centage formerly collected at New Westminster. So much for Unconditional Union! The Tariff cannot be revised at too early a day.

By Electric Telegraph  
SPECIAL TO THE DAILY BRITISH COLONIST.

LAST NIGHT'S DESPATCHES  
Eastern States.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 15.—The Secretary of the Treasury will ask Congress for power to enforce his views, which look to immediate specie payment.

NEW YORK, Nov. 14.—Gov. Patten, of Alabama, in his message, opposes the constitutional amendments.

Hon. J. A. Bingham will prepare articles charging President Johnson with abetting the assassination of Lincoln.

Walters, the principal proprietor of the London Times, now visiting this country, has written home disapproving of the course of that journal on American affairs.

Canada.  
Twenty members of the Canadian Parliament are en route to London to confer with the Government on the confederation of the provinces.

Toronto, Nov. 15.—The Fenian trials began at Toronto to-day. Thomas School was sentenced to be hanged on the 13th Dec. Patrick Donahue was discharged.

Europe.  
London, Nov. 14.—The Admiralty Court decided that the colonies (1) are entitled to the rebel cruiser Rappahannock.

Prince Albert of Prussia will soon visit America to inspect the naval system.

John Bright is making a tour through Ireland, where he is warmly received.

There were increasing demonstrations against the Queen of Spain; she was hissed at the theatre.

The French Emperor's health is considerably improved.

California.  
Arrived—Bark Brontes, 26 days from Seabeck.

Sailed—Ship Amethyst, Bellingham Bay.

Mexico.  
New York, Nov. 14.—Maximilian has abdicated the throne of Mexico and left the country. A desperate attempt was made to capture him, but failed.

Japan.  
News from Japan announce the removal of Gen. Van Valkenberg; he will co-operate with the British Commander.

Twenty-two junks, carrying 98 guns, had been destroyed, and about 90 pirates killed.

Further returns establish the election of S. P. Witzler, Conservative, in the 9th Missouri District. The Radical Republican majority is about 20,000.

Halsey's, Republican, in Newark District is 9,210. Hills, Republican, majority over Rogers is 455. Hoyer (Independent) Democrat of that district, received less than 200 votes.

The Democratic majority in Delaware is 1,516.

The Maryland Legislature stands as follows:—Senate, 16 Conservative; 8 Republican; House, 69 Conservative, 21 Republican.

Memphis, November 9th.—The Arkansas Legislature convened yesterday. The Governor's message recommends the ratification of the constitutional amendment and such legislation as will carry out the Civil Rights Bill.

The Georgia Legislature to-day rejected the constitutional amendment, a resolution refusing to ratify it being adopted unanimously in the Senate, all voting; and by one hundred and twelve against two in the House. The committee who reported the above resolution accompanied it with a lengthy argument to show the amendment could not be proposed without the representation of the States in Congress, and that neither Georgia nor any other State has lost its right of representation.

New York, November 10.—A Washington special despatch says that the Navy Department has under consideration the sending of the ironclad Miantonomah, now in Europe, to San Francisco via Cape Horn.

WASHINGTON, November 12.—Reports having been circulated which throw discredit upon a previous announcement that Max had abdicated, it is now stated as the policy of the Government that should General Sherman and Minister Campbell find on their arrival at Vera Cruz that nothing was being done, they will report to the President, who will, it is expected, recommend Congress to authorize vigorous measures to expedite the departure of the French troops. It is believed that the Mexican question will occupy a prominent place in the President's Message.

The frigate Susquehanna sailed this afternoon with General Sherman, Minister Campbell, Secretary Blunt, and Colonel Andrew Reid of Sherman's staff on board. The departure was witnessed by a large number of people.

Mexico.  
Advices from Chihuahua, dated Oct 7th, says Juarez went there with his cabinet and 800 soldiers. All Northern Mexico except Durango was in the hands of the Liberals, and the garrison of Durango was shortly expected to move back on the Capital. Juarez has assumed the Louisiana Tebanquepe grant and made a new one with other Americans who pay \$100,000 to the holders of the old grant for the money paid for it.

California.  
SONORA, Nov. 12.—Another destructive fire is raging here. The Union Hall is totally destroyed; so are the Methodist church, Linham's livery stable and Martin and McDonald's blacksmith shop. The fire was discovered at 12.15, and at 1.15 it was burning. Wright & Co., proprietors of the hotel, have suffered a severe loss, supposed to be about \$10,000; Linham's loss is \$5,000; Martin & Co., \$500; Cox & Co., \$10,000; Denval \$300. No clue to the perpetrator of the deed.

PLACERVILLE, Nov. 12.—The Woodside Quartz Mine, located at Georgetown, struck the richest quartz on Saturday last, that has ever been in California. It is estimated by competent judges that over \$50,000 were taken out on Saturday and Sunday. They are now blocking out nearly a pure solid mass of gold, three feet in length. This is a lumping. One piece alone weighed over 30 pounds.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 15.—Thomas Newman and Frank Happersberger, indicted for setting fire to Newman Brothers store, on Battery street, and Henry Schwartz, indicted for setting fire to a house on Mission street, demurred to their indictments in the county court today.

Fire in the city of San Francisco, which started in his house opposite the Wilkows, pleaded guilty, and will be sentenced a week from next Monday.

The Telegraph Expedition.  
The Turk Onward, of the Russian Telegraph expedition, arrived from Petropavlski yesterday. Fifteen operators and constructors were left at that point, where they will winter. Col. Bulkin left there on the 2nd Aug. for Adzgar bay to be gone about three months.

San Francisco, Nov. 15.—A salute was fired on the same day by the Russian frigate, the Prussian frigate Venetia, and also from the Panth Buik. The Captain of the Venetia had an audience with the King on the 15th. An ovation was to be given on the 22nd by the garrison residents of Honolulu to the officers of the Venetia. Her Majesty, Queen Emma, had not arrived, but was expected hourly. The Vanderbilt however was not due, having been out from this port but six days.

Great complaint is made of the scarcity of money in Honolulu. Many of the merchants have foregone for exchange for the whaling fleet.

Government has revived an old and effectual law which is described in the Civil Code of 1859 as the Government Press. The office resuscitated is that of the Director of the public press. Dr. J. Mott Smith has been appointed to the position.

Parties in the harbor have been trying the famous needle-gun. The experiments were satisfactory.

THE PEOPLE'S FRIEND.  
PERRY DAVIS' VEGETABLE PAIN KILLER.

The Greatest Family Medicine of the Age  
Taken internally, it cures sudden colds, coughs, etc., weak stomach, general debility, nervous sore mouth, canker, liver complaint, dyspepsia or indigestion, cramp and pain in the stomach, bowel complaint, painters' colic, Asiatic cholera, diarrhoea, and dysentery.

APPLIED EXTERNALLY, cures felons, boils and old sores, severe burns and scalds, cuts, bruises and sprains, swollen joints, rheumatism and tetter, broken breasts, frost-bite and chilblains, toothache, pain in the face, neuralgia and rheumatism. It is a SURE REMEDY FOR AGUE AND CHILLS AND FEVER.

MOORE & CO., Agents.  
New Advertisements.

NOTICE.  
A MEETING OF THE LICENSED VICTUALLERS OF THE CITY will be held at the INTER-NATIONAL HOTEL, YACAR STREET, THIS EVENING, at EIGHT O'CLOCK, to consider matters of importance to all concerned.

NOTICE.  
THE COURTS OF BANKRUPTCY AND PROBATE of this city stand adjourned till Wednesday the 29th instant.

NAVY LAUNDRY, ESQUIMALT.  
WHITE SHIRTS, TROUSERS OR Vests, &c. per dozen; Sheets, Handkerchiefs, Collars, Socks, &c. 70 cts per dozen.

Box Lost.  
A LARGE OAK GRAINED BOX WITH drawers in the bottom and marked "ROBERT STEPHENSON" in white letters. Any person giving information as to its whereabouts at this office will be rewarded.

DISOLUTION OF CO-PARTNERSHIP.  
THE CO-PARTNERSHIP HERETOFORE existing between JEAN AMPAIRET and DOMINIQUE GEORGEY, Farmers, of British Columbia, is hereby dissolved.

Wanted.  
A GIRL 14 OR 15 YEARS OLD TO take care of a baby.

Soiree and Dance.  
—AT THE—  
ST. GEORGE HOTEL,  
—ON—  
Friday Evening, 23rd inst.

FOR SALE CHEAP.  
A first-class Florence Sewing Machine,  
Cost \$95, to be sold for \$70. in perfect order, with extra fittings—can be seen at  
Mr. KENT'S Store, Fort Street,  
And Instructions given if required.

NOTICE.  
VICTORIA, November 16, 1866.  
Office of the Phoenix Coal and Lumber Co. (Limited).

AT A MEETING OF THE BOARD OF Directors of this Company, held this day, a call of ONE DOLLAR AND A HALF per share on the Capital Stock of the Company was made payable within 21 days from this date, to me, at my office, Wharf Street.

NEW GROCERY STORE.  
THE SUBSCRIBER HAVING RECEIVED from the Government, and having furnished it with a new and well assorted stock of

GROCERIES, PROVISIONS, AND FARM PRODUCE, Respectfully solicits a share of public patronage.

SHEET COPPER FOR SALE  
—AT—  
CHAS. KENT'S  
Fort Street,  
VICTORIA, V. I.

REMOVAL.  
DR. BARNARD, DENTIST  
HAS REMOVED HIS OFFICE to the corner of Fort Street, and is now at the corner of Fort Street, and is now at the corner of Fort Street.

Removal.  
W. HEATHORN.  
BEES LEAVE TO IN-fer his friends and the public that he has removed his

New Advertisements.  
Victoria Theatre.  
COMPLIMENTARY BENEFIT TO THE SWISS BELL-RINGERS

WEDNESDAY Eve., Nov. 21, 1866.  
On which occasion, in addition to the Sweet Music of the Bells, the Soft Stridings of the Harp, and the Sentimental, Comic, and Characteristic Singing and Dancing of

MISS CLARA.  
MISS JENNY ARNOT,  
CHAS. CLARKE, GEO. W. MARSH,  
R. G. MARSH

Will appear in the new Pette Comedy of THE WILLFUL WARD.  
MISS JENNY in the character of Rose Lestrar

A Masonic Notice.  
THE REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING of this Lodge called for this evening, will be held at the Masonic Hall, on Wednesday evening next, the 21st of November, at 7 1/2 o'clock, p.m.

To be Let,  
FURNISHED OR UNFURNISHED  
THE HOUSE OF JAMES RAY AT present occupied by Captain Mait, containing 10 rooms, including a large hall, two large parlors and detached kitchen; together with the large wellstocked and productive garden, outbuildings, etc. There is a well of good water, and tank and cisterns for rain water on the premises.

NOTICE.  
BY DEED DATED THE FIFTEENTH day of November, 1866, DAVID CLEF, of San Francisco, California, and DAVID CLEF, of San Francisco, California, have conveyed all his Estate and Effects unto James Burns and George Cuthbert Wiggins, of Victoria, B. C., in trust for all the creditors of the said David Clef, as of he had been duly admitted bankrupt; and the said deed was duly executed in the presence of the undersigned.

Notice.  
THE PARTNERSHIP HERETOFORE existing between J. C. KEENAN, S. MITCHELL, and J. C. KEENAN, as the Adelphi Saloon, is this day dissolved by mutual consent.

Removal.  
THE UNDERSIGNED BEGS LEAVE to state that he has removed his stock of goods (consisting of Groceries, &c.) from Wharf Street, to the new Building on Yates Street, adjoining George F. Boyd Store, opposite Wells, Fargo & Co.

NOTICE.  
Re Estate of Spörborg & Ruff.  
ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST the above Estate, are hereby requested to forward a statement of their claims to the undersigned, on or before the 15th of November next, in which day the said Estate will be closed.

TO LOAN  
SEVERAL SUMS ON APPROVED SECURITY.  
Apply to T. ALPSON, Commission Agent, Government street, near Broughton, Victoria.

TO SHEEP FARMERS, CATTLE DEALERS, &c.  
TOLSON, AT A LOW RENTAL, 800 acres of fenced Pasture Land, distant from Victoria 1 1/2 miles.

NOTICE.  
TO ALL CONCERNED.  
Extract from an Act to amend the Road Act, 1861:

EVERY MALE PERSON ABOVE EIGHTEEN YEARS of age residing in the City of Victoria, and every person entitled to vote in any election in any of the said Road Districts, shall perform two days labor upon the public highway of the district in which he shall reside or have such interest, and it is further enacted that any person who fails to perform such labor shall be liable to a fine of five dollars for each day of default, and such fine shall be a lien in favor of the said Road District, and shall be recoverable by the said Road District, or by any person who may be appointed by the said Road District, or by any person who may be appointed by the said Road District, or by any person who may be appointed by the said Road District.

NOTICE.  
In order to prevent mistake, the Board has prepared a printed form of receipt, which must be signed by the Chairman, or the authorized Agent for the time being, Mr. J. F. Hildes.

R. P. WHEAR,  
Tailor and Clothier,  
FORT STREET, VICTORIA  
OPPOSITE THE BEE HIVE HOTEL.

RETURNING THANKS TO HIS numerous friends and patrons for past favors, begs to intimate that he has entered into an arrangement with his brother, NATHAN WHEAR, to manage the Clothing Department. His brother having had several years experience, both in Victoria and Canada, fully understands the class of goods required, and is satisfied that all those who may do him the favor of a call, will be well served, as his long-bought large stock of CLOTHING ETC., UNDERCLOTHING.

Boots and Shoes made to Order  
OF THE BEST MATERIALS AND WORKMANSHIP.  
N.B.—REPAIRING done at shortest notice.

New Advertisement.  
St. George Hotel.

The undersigned respectfully informs his Friends, the Citizens of Victoria, British Columbia, and Washington Territory, that he has leased the above

SPACIOUS FIRE-PROOF FAMILY HOTEL.  
THE  
Accommodations are Superior to any in Town.

All the Rooms have been thoroughly renovated, and the  
Domestic Arrangements  
Will be under the immediate Supervision of  
MRS HOLDEN.

Every Department of this Hotel will be Conducted in First-class Style, at Moderate Charges.  
E. C. HOLDEN.

New Fall Goods.  
VICTORIA HOUSE,  
FORT STREET.

Now Landing and For Sale at above Establishment, ex "Royal Tar" from London.

3-4 and 4-4 ABERDEEN WINSEYS;  
French Merinos, Coburgs and Alpaca;  
Embroidered Linsey and other Robes;  
Winter Skirts and Skirting;  
4-4 and 6-4 Wool Plaids;  
WINTER SHAWS and MANTLES;  
WATERPROOF TWEED MANTLES;  
FANNELLS—White and Scarlet, single and Double widths;  
Printed and Fancy Wove Fannels;  
Ladies' Girls' and Children's Woolen Hosiery;  
do do do Morino do  
KNITTED WOOL HOODES and POLKAS;  
Ladies' Knitted Garbairds  
CORSETS—A large assortment;

ON Y PARLE FRANCAIS.  
Wm. DENNY, Manager.  
N.B. Fresh additions to Stock received by every Steamer.

Shipping Notices.  
For London Direct.  
THE HUDSON BAY COMPANY'S FINE Ship  
Princoe of Wales,  
ROBERT ADAMSON, Commandant  
Will sail for the above port on or about the 20th inst. For Freight or Passage, apply at no 12 THE HUDSON BAY CO.'S WHARF OFFICE.

Bark Evelyn Wood, from Plover Bay.  
NEITHER THE CAPTAIN NOR THE undersigned will be responsible for any debts contracted by the crew of this vessel.  
SPROAT & CO., Agents.  
Victoria, V. I., Nov. 8, 1866.

Steamer Constantine.  
NEITHER THE CAPTAIN NOR THE undersigned will be responsible for any debts contracted by the crew of this vessel.  
JANION, GREEN & RHODES, Agents.  
Victoria, V. I., Nov. 8, 1866.

ROYAL MAIL.  
Steam Packet Co.  
THE PROPRIETOR IN THANKING the public for the very liberal support with which they have favored him in the past, has much pleasure in announcing that having recently, embellished and reentered the above establishment, unequalled in ability, he will respect to tomorrow (SATURDAY, October 20th, 1866.)

THE CULINARY DEPARTMENT  
Being perfect in all its arrangements and under the management of a first class Cook, everything will be supplied in superior style and with the utmost promptitude. CLARKE feels that in recommending business, he can with confidence solicit a renewal of public patronage, as with the increased accommodation and improved facilities for carrying on the business which he now possesses, he can guarantee entire satisfaction to all and place the attractions of the establishment above competition.

THE UP-STAIRS DINING ROOM  
Which has been handsomely furnished, is in style, comfort and economy, superior to any similar establishment in town.

BOARD PER WEEK ..... \$6 and \$7  
Meals at all hours ..... \$25 to 50  
Coffee per cup with Buns ..... 12 cts  
Hot and Cold Drinks always on hand.  
N.B.—The Bakery business will be carried on and Bread of the best quality delivered throughout town.

Private Boarding.  
EBERHARDT'S HOTEL,  
Langley Street, Victoria, V. I.  
N. C. BAILEY,  
LATE OF ANGLO-AMERICAN, BEGS to inform his friends and the public, that he has re-opened the above establishment, promising Gentlemen and families visiting Victoria, will find good accommodation on the most reasonable terms.

PRIVATE DINING SALOON  
For Families, well furnished rooms to let, with or without board.  
N. C. BAILEY, Proprietor.  
D. LINDSAY,  
Accountant,  
Government street, Victoria, V. I.

OFFICIAL ASSIGNEE IN BANKRUPTCY  
Estates wound up by private arrangement, Debts Collected, Loans Negotiated, and a general Agency business transacted.  
April 19, 1866.







